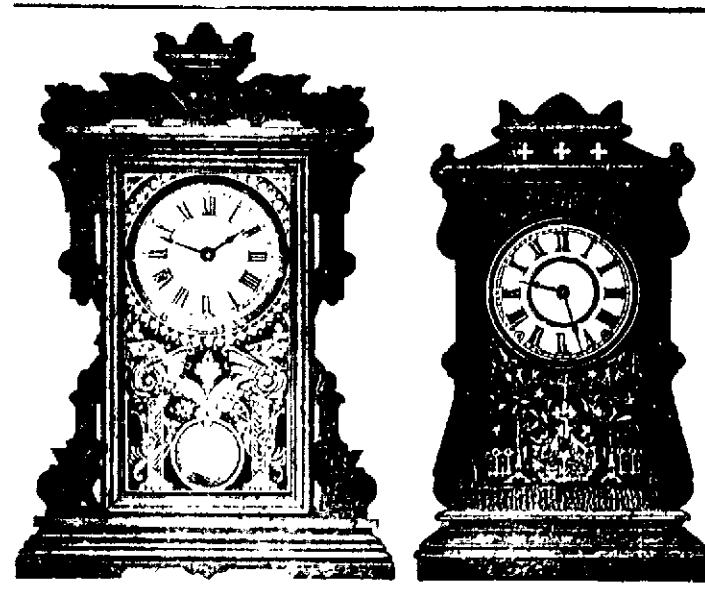
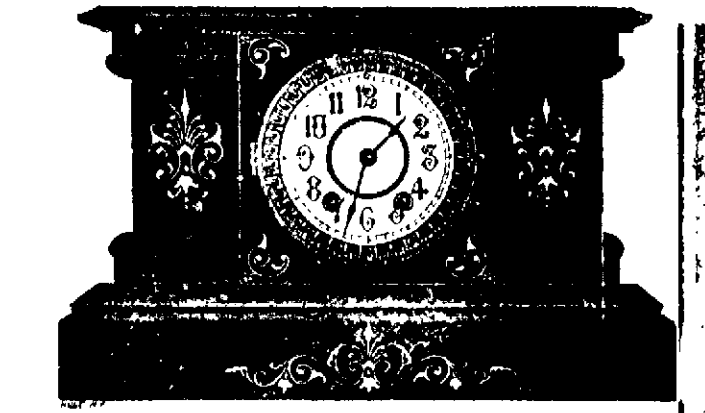


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WE are carrying the greatest line of CLOCKS ever shown by any house in Decatur, all the Old Reliable SETH THOMAS make. We have them in all kinds of WOOD, ONYX, MARBLE, GLASS, NICKEL, and in fact in every style they are made.

This is the time of year you need a New Clock. We shall be glad to show you at any time.



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THIS FINE WEATHER

Brings to our mind that you will be looking for a SPRING OVER-COAT or a Nobby Suit.

You will miss it if you do not step in and look over our UNEXCELLED LINE.

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We have left behind us another milestone on the highway of our business career, and are now entering upon the 37th year of catering to the wants of the public.

We will, as heretofore, aim to please, and you can rest assured that the best of everything to be found in a first-class meat market will always be offered you.

Thanking you for past patronage bestowed and respectfully soliciting a continuance of the same we remain,

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A BIG LOT
—OF—
Ladies' Oxford Ties,
(LOW PRICES)
In All the Latest Styles.
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Rustic Oxfords.

THE FIRST OF THE SEASON.
Come and see them. They are Beautiful.

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SPRING IS COMING

And you will want your Carpets cleaned.

ELECTRIC CLEANER
will do the work. Carpets can be cleaned without taking up. It is equally good for cleaning clothes.

FOR SALE BY
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WEDNESDAY EVE., MARCH 23, 1902.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Our line of baby carriages is in and we want you to see them. Over 80 styles to select from. E. D. BARNHARTMAN, 214 S. 1st St., Dallas.

It will now be Senator Roger Q. Mills of Texas.

Smoking the reliable R. W. cigar, made in Dallas.

Rumors—the great German rheumatism remedy. 31-38

For kindling wood ask F. O. Caldwell, the coal dealer. 24-2903

Lewis Monahan in "Mephisto" Saturday night at the Grand.

Rheumatism positively cured. Apply to Ralph Templeton. 21-46

Rock Plaster—best known plastering material. Manufactured by the Deatur Rock Plaster Co. 17-46

Stray in at Hanks & Co.'s grocery store, 143 South Water street, and get table supplies to suit you.

Our all-wool, flat-black bootery at reduced prices to clear out stock. Linn & Scruggs, 2 G. & C. Co.

Wanted—A light to do general housework in a small family at good wages. Call at 735 West Main street. 8-11

The reports from various parts of the state are that the wheat crop was very bountiful to the growing wheat crop.

Rock Plaster will not fall off, and is a great fire retarder. Manufactured by the Deatur Rock Plaster Co. 17-46

SPECIAL BARGAINS in Gent's, Ladies' and Children's Knitted underwear and Unbleached Shirts, at Linn & Scruggs, D. G. & C. Co.

We have just received large invoices of fresh garden and flower seeds. The Spencer & Lehman Company, corner Main and Wood streets. feb17 dkw2m

New and elegant styles of Gingham, Print, Foul de Nord, Peasants, Bedford Novalis, and other new wash fabrics, on sale now at Linn & Scruggs, D. G. & C. Co.

We have the handsomest line of Footbooks and Furrows, as well as Chatelain bags, to be found in the city.

18-1611 Otto E. Curtis & Bro.

The Marine Band from Washington will pass through Decatur to-morrow morning in a special train over the Wash, en route from Chicago to St. Louis. There are 68 government musicians in the party.

The "Centemer" kid gloves are the handsomest, best fitting, best wearing and cheapest gloves in the U. S.

Linn & Scruggs, D. G. & C. Co., de-2004

The Equal Suffrage Association will meet on Thursday this week. The meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. J. O. Hays, No. 481 West Wood street. Matters of interest to all suffragists will be considered. Meeting will begin at 2:30 p. m.

Marriage licenses have been issued to T. O. Pharis and Miss Ella Braden, both of Decatur; to Rev. J. J. Dyer of Monticello, and Mrs. Mary A. Vance, of Decatur; and to J. W. Cameron and Miss Maudie Graham, both of Mowqua.

It is not the extreme of heat and cold so much as the sudden changes in temperature that cause certain climates to be unhealthy. When, however, the system is invigorated with Ayer's Sarsaparilla, these changes are rarely attended with injurious results.

The Elwood D. Boone who is a stand trial in the circuit court for disorderly conduct is not Eugene D. Boone, the well-known carpenter. Eugene wants it understood that he is not in any trouble and is a law-abiding citizen, with no charge against his name in any court.

Few Decatur people who read and enjoy the books and writings of the famous American, Kate Tannet Woods, know that her husband, Col. George H. Woods, has been buried in Greenwood cemetery. He died suddenly at the Hotel Brunswick a few years ago. Mr. Woods resided in the city, and is a regular contributor to Boston and other journals.

The Decatur bicycle club has arranged for a relay run from Decatur to Chillicothe May 20th. Sixteen men will take part. They will be at their stations, two at each, twenty miles apart in the morning at 6 o'clock when the first two will start from Decatur. When they have gone twenty miles they will stop, and the next two, fresh, will run the next twenty, and so on. It is thus expected to make the 180 miles in twelve hours.

Miscellaneous News.
Died, at his home in this place, Tuesday night, Patrick Barry, aged 19 years. His death was caused by scarlet fever.

It is reported that a business trip to Nebraska.

Mrs. R. S. Blake and daughter, Emma, were in Decatur Tuesday.

Rev. Kane is holding protracted meeting at Sanders Chapel. Considerable interest is manifested.

Mr. Webb has resigned his office as constable and has returned to his farm in Harrison township.

Frank Sanders loaded his household effects at this place Tuesday.

Mrs. Harvey Gidd of Warner City visited her sister, Mrs. Albert Waddell, in this place, the forepart of this week.

Notices were posted calling a meeting of our ladies Monday evening to consider a proposition to build a new opera house. For some cause unknown to your correspondent the meeting was not held.

Look out for us every week and subscribe for the REPUBLICAN.

Chicago Grain Market.
The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. to-day, received by B. Z. Taylor.

WHEAT—Estimated receipts—18,000; 100 higher.

HOES—18,000; strong.

CORN—Estimated receipts—100,000; 100 higher.

WHEAT 185; Corn 450; Oats 200.

MARSH 200; APRIL 200; MAY 200.

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THE HUNTER CASE

Called for Trial—Endeavoring to Get an Impartial Jury—Slow Work.

The Mt. Zion case, entitled the People vs. W. B. Hunter, was called for trial this morning. Mills Bros. & Mills and Cross & Ewing appear for the People, and Buckingham & Schell and W. C. Johns for the defense. W. B. Hunter, the defendant, and Wenden O. Smith were present to aid the attorneys for the defense. Quite an array of witnesses were in the court room. The case is one in which W. B. Hunter, who was a judge at the spring election in Mt. Zion township, and also a candidate for supervisor against D. C. Davidson, is charged with having fraudulently scratched the name of Davidson on sixteen tickets after he had received them at the window from the voters and before he deposited them in the ballot box.

EXAMINATION OF JURORS.
The jurors were called and the examination was begun by the prosecution. J. T. Denton, a farmer and experienced opinion, and was challenged for cause. George Melhorn, a farmer, presented an opinion and thought he could try the case fairly and impartially, and was excused.

W. B. Elliott had not formed an opinion, had heard the case spoken of and persisted in saying that he could try the case fairly and impartially.

O. C. Lee had formed an opinion that would require strong evidence to remove him as a juror by the prosecution.

J. S. Campbell had expressed an opinion in the case and was promptly excused.

Albert Gessman never heard of the case nor read about it, and has no desire to either see the defendant convicted or acquitted.

R. F. Earnest had heard about the case and had read all about it in the Decatur Republican—had formed an opinion that it would require strong evidence to remove. Challenged by defendant for cause; the judge allowed the challenge.

O. W. Frew had read the newspapers and knew about the case—had talked with John Scott of Mt. Zion about it and had formed an opinion, but which might be removed by evidence. He was excused by the defense.

Thomas L. Antrim had heard and read of the case, and had heard the testimony at the contest before Judge Nelson. He had talked about the case with Wenden Smith at I. W. Ehrman's store last Sunday. Mr. Antrim had seen the marked ballots at the contest, but had formed no opinion and had expressed none. He said he could try the case impartially.

James H. Montgomery had heard and read about the case, and had formed an opinion that would require considerable evidence to remove. He was excused by the defense.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY.
Court convened at 1:30 p. m. Each side in the examination of jurors has six peremptory challenges.

When court opened the defense peremptorily challenged Mr. Antrim and Mr. Gessman, both Republicans, and they retired.

After further questioning, the defense accepted four gentlemen—E. B. Smith, David Hanks, Levi Cross and W. B. Elliott—all Democrats. Mr. Hanks was peremptorily challenged by the prosecution.

P. A. Schumacher was examined. He had read the Review in reference to the case, and believed that paper had told the truth in its account. He was excused for cause.

Thomas Entler had formed no opinion as to the guilt or innocence of Hunter. He had read of the case in the Republican and Review—no other paper.

Both sides have accepted Elliott, Cross, Smith and Entler as satisfactory jurors, and the Republican case to press the attorneys are examining other citizens as to their qualifications.

Later Entler was peremptorily challenged by the prosecution.

THE PENALTY.
In case of conviction the penalty will be a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one year, or both in the discretion of the court.

More Trouble for Crow.
William A. Crow, the Illinois Central station agent at Mt. Pleasant, is in trouble. He was arrested a week ago for using the mails for fraud by the irregular placing under bond of \$1,000. He is now transpiring that he attempted to bribe an assistant postmaster at Barclay. He asked the latter to mail a lot of letters for him in such a way that the persons receiving them could not decipher the stamp, and agreed to divide the proceeds in the deal. Crow was arrested on the charge and held in \$1,000 bonds. His bondsmen in the previous case withdrew their names from the bond and Crow is in jail at Springfield.

Sales of Real Estate.
Joseph B. Starr, at 117 and 122 in Armstrong company, lots 21 and 22 in block 6 in Riverside Place—\$700.

James N. Webb to Margaret A. Webb, 80 acres of the west side of the river, west quarter of 7, 16, 18 east, in Harrison township—\$800.

Chas. M. Allison to George W. Drobisch, lot 7 in block 1 of F. H. Drobisch addition to Decatur—\$300.

Henry Drobisch to Sophia M. Drobisch, lot 28 in block 2 of F. H. Drobisch addition to Decatur; and 30 feet off of the east side of lot 8 in South addition to Decatur—\$1.

George F. Drobisch to Margaret A. Montgomery, lot 15 in F. H. Drobisch subdivision of a part of lot 16 in the southwest quarter of 15, 16, 2 east—\$750.

Fine Fruit.
To-day Geo. W. Ehrhart & Co. received a large consignment of New York apples, also a large shipment of fancy bananas, the finest in the market. Place your orders at once.

Mr. OLNEY should not go forth in the early morning to slay his betrouble of ducks. If not a dead duck hangs from a political point of view, it is a sure sign of a lack of sense or of a lack of nerve to call the Democratic Book together.

Exoner Russell, of Muncie, Ind., who has long been accused as a dead, returned home the other day. He was a soldier in the civil war, afterward on the Indian frontier, and claims to be a survivor of the Carter Massacre.

Mr. GARDNER has ceased giving anybody a look of his hair, because he wouldn't have any left if he granted a slice of such requests. These are the bald facts, as he personally stated them not long ago.

Mrs. FROST HILBERT, widow of Robert H. Hilbert, is doing good in the right direction and has recently founded and endowed the \$500 scholarship in the California State University.

WILL IT GO?

Goings on the Central Block Proposition—Options Divided.

The proposition to condemn Central block, make tax payers generally foot the bill, and widen the street north to Prairie, by removing the pile of brick, does not meet with unanimous approval. Wild enthusiasm while others do not, and there are those who are indifferent. The block has been there since 1858 and citizens who were here before that date have grown used to the building. It is regarded by them as a landmark, and were it taken away they would feel that Decatur, in the region of the old square, had lost its familiar appearance for them. On the other hand, business men, mostly lawyers, regard the block, in its present shape, as an eyesore, and they either want it removed or a more slightly structure erected. The question will come up with red-fire accessories in the city council when the proposed ordinance, condemning the block, is brought up for adoption. Several aldermen are loaded with speeches for and against the proposition.

A factionless citizen suggested that a proposition was on foot to enlarge Central Park, and he stated that papers would be prepared to carry out this scheme, provided the council could be induced to favor the plan. The aldermen citizen remarked that only in one way could Central Park be enlarged, and that is by condemning the valuable business property lying north of the park and south of the Williamson street, between Water and Franklin.

"QUEEN OF THE PLATFORM."
Character Lecture To-Night by Miss Julia F. Lee.

The next entertainment of the series will be given to-night at the Universalist church, when Miss Julia F. Lee, the "Queen of the platform," humorous, pathetic and irresistible impersonator, will come sorrow to joy and tears to laughter, will make her appearance. Miss Lee is a lady who not only possesses remarkable talent, thoroughly cultivated, but is endowed with the divine gift of genius. Her voice is music to the ear, her manner fascinating, and there is an entire absence of affectation. Those who would enjoy an evening of entertainment should go to the Universalist church to-night.

Military Opening.
The enterprising firm of Anthony & Webb have added a stylish military department to their shoe establishment, and today appear in the store to receive orders. There is a striking arrangement of fashionable hats, and the latest kinds in ribbons and other things in the window. Ladies generally are invited to call at the store and feast their eyes on the dresses in hats and bonnets.

PERSONAL MENTION.
Daniel File is in Latham to-day.

J. B. Fritz is in Mason to-day on business.

A. F. Gephart is in Chicago on business.

Gus Ahrens is in Clinton to-day on business.

Miss Francis Traubner, of Mt. Zion, is in the city on a visit.

Mrs. Joseph Bishop is visiting relatives in Springfield.

Milton and Bessie Lutz are visiting relatives in Harrison.

Miss Nell Schroeder is in Mason visiting Miss Agnes Harris.

Miss Lucille Davies has returned from a visit with relatives in Toledo.

Miss R. Roe, wife and daughter, Miss Ellis, left to-day for Hot Springs, Ark.

Miss Stella Barrett, of Littlefield, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Vigns.

W. M. Lewis, accompanied by his mother, went to Mason to-day to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Whitaker entertained the Riverside Whist club last evening.

Miss Jeanette Chambers left to-day for Knoxville, where she will remain for studies.

Miss Kittie Seger has taken a position with Bookout & Woody in the Gallagher Block.

Mrs. W. A. Bridges is confined to her home on West Main street with an attack of toothache.

Miss Stella Kline, after a visit in this city with W. W. Wray and family, left yesterday for her home in Danville.

Mrs. Will Brown, who has been in the city visiting Dr. E. J. Brown and family, left yesterday for her home in Island Grove.

Miss Blanche Gill, who has been in the city visiting Miss Margaret Williams, left to-day for her home in Champaign.

Dan Myers, of the Washburn baggage room, will leave to-morrow for the south on a vacation trip. He will visit Hot Springs and points in Texas.

Attorney B. B. Wyndham, who has been in the city visiting Rev. H. H. Ouel and family, left to-day for his home in Plattsmouth, Neb.

A. F. Smith is very sick at Kawneer, Ill., where "The Jingles" are playing an engagement. A message was received from him last night stating that he was much better.

Benjamin Windham, the aged father of Mrs. H. H. Ouel, who has been in the city spending the winter with Rev. H. H. Ouel and family, departed to-day for his home in Glenwood, Iowa.

George Shier, late of Milwaukee, Wis., has accepted the position of senior warden at Watson & Moll. Mr. Shier was formerly with Willoughby, Hill & Co., the well-known Chicago house.

Elmer G. Uery of Mt. Zion was in the city yesterday for a few hours. Monday night Rev. H. W. Davis delivered his gold coin lecture at Mt. Zion. Mr. Uery arranged the date for the lecture.

J. E. Lightner, who is in the grocery business at Norwich, Kansas, sends us a copy of his town paper, the News. Mr. Lightner is a native of Decatur, and is a son of D. H. Reimann & Son, and for Henry Lyon.

Misses Lela and Ora Champion of Green and Mrs. W. W. Wray, who are in the city visiting William Dodson and family. The young ladies have been visiting relatives in their home in Iowa, and stopped on their way home to visit relatives in this city.

Every Animal is Fond of Bananas.
The leaves of the banana, often six feet long and two feet wide, are tender, and the stringy strips of pulp soon tear them in strips, thereby giving them their grace and beauty. The banana is a fruit that beast and bird, as well as man, are fond of, and the owner, when he lives in a sparely settled country, must protect his plantation by a fence of some thorny plant. Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.

Helped by His Wife.
Lamartine, the great French poet, was happily married and received great aid from his wife in all his undertakings.—Writer.

VERMIN FOR JURYMEN.

Names of One Hundred Citizens Drawn to Appear in Court.

The prospects are that there will be a long pull for juryman to hear the evidence in the W. B. Hunter election fraud case from Mt. Zion township. The regular panel is about exhausted. Judge Vail to-day issued an order for a special venire of 100 men to appear in court to-morrow. Clerk McMillan made the draw from the box at once, and this afternoon Sheriff Paul and his bailiffs are after the men. The following are the names of the gentlemen taken from the box:

T. O. Stoner, S. B. Tallie, Ed. Bright, J. H. Humphrey, J. J. Evans, Hiram Wright, J. N. Randall, J. G. Shea, F. L. Stevenson, Ed. Hunt, R. J. Simpson, John Priest, A. R. Kester, J. B. Allen, W. W. Kyle, E. J. Meyer, J. A. Biche, Thomas Roberts, Thomas Welch, E. Weitz, Rufus Green, W. C. Pinot, Milton Penner, W. L. Suttman, Marsh Wallace, William Dantz, D. M. Hamilton, A. L. Meyer, Charles McDane, J. W. Clymer, Henderson Ross, Henry Smith, W. E. Pettyjohn, J. B. Shaw, H. C. Bishop, R. A. Peake, A. Rodgers, H. Dieckhoff, D. C. Miller, J. J. Kline, W. H. Ma, William Goodrich, J. H. Holt, F. C. Gifford, B. F. Miller, J. C. Anderson, Grant Hookaday, George F. Cottle, M. E. McGrader, H. J. Edwards, C. B. Query, Samuel Motts, A. Keller, James Liechtenberger, Jr., Benj. L. Howenstine, Walter Barber, James Veech, Harry O. Scanlon, E. A. Stehens, J. P. Montgomery, G. W. Scovill, G. W. Sanner, Otto Hill, E. M. Robinson, G. W. Ward, W. M. Bundy, D. A. Morris, Charles Fagan, D. L. Vigns, T. N. Lewitt, B. O. Oakes, J. E. House, F. J. Oren, E. F. Young, V. G. Hatch, F. B. Smith, C. W. Bear, William Bendisette, Patrick Lottas, D. W. Garver, John McFarland, George McDonald, R. F. Kincaid, John Snyder, Frank Cornsawh, Charles Phillips, W. B. Willard, H. L. Root, Fred Froll, O. F. Myers, Peter Mayberry, W. B. Backer, R. J. Roberts, William Emerson, Luther Travis, Larkin Wheeler, Michael Shultz and George Shultz.

A Fire Scare.
Last evening between 6 and 7 o'clock there was a fire scare at the large store of the Linn & Scruggs Dry Goods & Carpet company's establishment. There are several electric lamps in the store and the conducting wires, which are insulated, are placed within a few inches of the ceiling. One of the wires near the East Main street front flashed a big light, and caused the excitement which brought the policemen, the people, and the fire department to the scene. The blaze on the wire near the ceiling was about the diameter of a candle and three inches in length. The insulation was burning off and there was no immediate danger of the wooden ceiling taking fire. The doors were locked. A messenger was sent for a key, but before Linn & Scruggs arrived the blaze disappeared. However, the incident was enough to warrant immediate investigation, and Mr. Marrott and Mr. Wheat examined the wire, to find that the insulation at that point was weak and imperfect. All of the wires have been thoroughly examined. It is not likely that there will be another experience of the kind in the house. The damage was slight; fairly insured.

Republican Ticket.
The Republican Friends Creek township met in convention at Argenta, with J. B. Shepherd, Chairman, and F. R. Querry Sec. The following ticket was put in nomination. Supervisor, H. C. Griffin; Town clerk, N. Sprague; Assessor, H. M. Stover; Collector, W. T. J. Cooper; Commissioner of Highways, F. Schwalb; County convention delegates, F. R. Querry, A. H. Jones and T. H. Barr.

On Trial at Toulon.
W. B. Davidson, well known in Decatur, where he has relatives, is now on trial at Toulon, in Stark county, for attempted criminal assault on Ella Ouel.

Yesterday a verdict of not guilty was returned in the case where Davidson was charged with assaulting Ada J. Cox, his step-daughter. Davidson has been in the Peoria jail several months in default of bail. In Peoria the papers refer to Davidson as a "saintly sinner."

New Millinery Store.
April 1st Mrs. H. C. Frank, of Waterloo, N. Y., will open a new millinery store in the Lyon & Armstrong building, Syndicate Block. This is the store room of Fred Norman's barber shop and south of J. B. Buller's undertaking establishment. In addition to the large millinery stock Mrs. Frank will conduct a dress-making business.

Much Better.
Engineer Joe Fetting, who was injured yesterday morning in a collision at the depot, is confined to a room in the Central House, where he is receiving the best of attention. His wife and son are with him, having arrived in the city yesterday afternoon. He is much better to-day and it will not be many days before he can be taken to his home in Springfield.

A Conundrum Sociable.
The Good Templars will hold a conundrum sociable next Friday evening at their rooms in the court house block. Come and bring your friends and guess the conundrum. Admission free. 23-24

Special Bargains.
During this month in Sheetings, Pillow Cases, Bleached and Brown Muslin, Crapes, Table Linens, Towels and all Linen-holding Goods, at Linn & Scruggs Dry Goods & Carpet Co.

Servator Morris has a best record attendance in the United States Senate for regular attendance. At this present illness he was not absent without leave a week altogether, in rain or shine, during his third year's membership.

ADAMSKI went to Europe at the end of this year and a look of his hair for us to remember him by.

THE GAME BLOCKED.

The Investigation of the Chicago Boodle Cases.

BROUGHT TO A PRACTICAL STANDSTILL

The Grand Jury Thought to be Fixed, Three of Its Members Acting in the Interest of the Big Bookies.

CHICAGO, March 23.—Another sensation is promised in the boodle investigation. No indictments were returned yesterday, and there are indications that the grand jury has been blocked by dangerous leaks. The state's attorney seems to be alarmed.

"There are men on the grand jury who, I have every reason to believe, have been late-hearing, informing interested outsiders of the proceedings of this boodle investigation," said Mr. Longnecker yesterday afternoon. "There is the best of ground, I think, for the belief that the grand jury have not as yet one particle of evidence to implicate the men who put up the money for the passage of the boodle ordinances, and with which this grand jury's work has been blocked by dangerous leaks. The state's attorney seems to be alarmed."

"We have not been given to the grand jury, which is but little, indeed, they are not acquainted with. "With the indictment of Billy O'Brien we have come to an end unless he is indicted by the grand jury. We will keep on working and it is possible we may strike a lead that may produce good results. If we do not I can see no hope of catching any of the chief bookies. Whether we will be able to touch the men whom we believe to be the most guilty must be decided by future events."

The state's attorney's pessimistic views on the subject are not shared by all the projectors of the investigation. Some of these gentlemen predict more indictments and a complete collapse of the edifice of secrecy which the "bookies" have erected to cover their misdeeds. It is a fact that the "bookies" including both the cakkers and bribe-givers, are doing their best to find out just how much of its secrets the state knows.

An example of the anxiety of the combine is the desire of the gang to learn something about the state's "mystery" witnesses whose names appear in the indictment returned Monday—Hannah Larkin, Samuel Smith and John Williams. A dozen persons have asked who these witnesses were, and when they testified before the grand jury. As a matter of fact they did not appear before the grand jury at all. Hannah Larkin is the sister of the late John O'Brien. The two men were detectives who saw certain aldermen in the places where the boodle was distributed.

The cases against Aldermen W. D. O'Brien, Dan O'Brien, Creamer, Jackson, Gesslin, Gorman and Donsen will be placed on next month's calendar of the criminal court docket, and will probably come up for trial before Judge Collins. Already it has been said that a change of venue will be asked from Collins because he is a candidate for the republican nomination as governor, while all the indicted aldermen are democrats, and it will be alleged that the political element in the case might be allowed to have an influence prejudicial to them. Secretary Seale, of the Chicago & Jefferson Urban Transit Co., has disappeared. He is said to have been demanded \$75,000 for putting through an ordinance in the interest of his company. It is now claimed that two aldermen are ready to testify that Mr. Seale attempted to bribe them.

Alderman Mills yesterday told the grand jury what he knew of boodle methods of the council, and did so. Aldermen Gorton, Haynes and Keany. Officials of the various gas companies furnished lists of their stockholders, but so far few names of aldermen have been found among them. The inquiry closed for the day with the examination of a number of newspaper men.

COUNTREIFETTERS ARRESTED

And Many Purchasers of Bogus Money to Be Taken in.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 23.—Early in January last counterfeit coin was freely circulated among the Polish Jews, Hungarian and Italians in different parts of Pittsburgh, particularly in the fourteenth ward. The government secret service was called into action yesterday morning arrested the two proprietors of the "money to order" factory, while playing their vacation in the cellar of a house occupied by Thomas Link, near Duquesne, Pa., 12 miles from this city. The principals whose names are John O. Leach and Peter Simons, were locked up in the Pittsburgh jail.

The detectives have gathered up about \$100 that the counterfeiters had placed in circulation in Pittsburgh. Their business has been extensive and large sums have been shipped to various parts of the country, principally to Michigan.

The detectives also secured the names of over 100 people who have been purchasers of the bogus money, and they will also likely be arrested.

Death of Ferdinand Barbotte.
Paris, March 23.—Ferdinand Barbotte died yesterday. He was born in 1810; had been a distinguished reproducer in bronze of modern statuary. In his studio were employed nearly 300 artists and his work as a decorator was not less marvelous than his efforts in statuary. He was a commander of the Legion of Honor.

Why?
Taste of "Royal Ruby Port Wine" and you will see why we call it "Royal." A glass held up to the light will show you we call it Ruby. \$5.00 reward for every bottle of this wine found under five years of age. It is made in France, is recognized by strengthening order, or where it is recommended by physicians. Sold only in Dr. A. J. Stone.

Ladies' Wraps.
The first invoice of new spring jackets and capes for ladies and children have been received at Linn & Scruggs, D. G. & C. Co.

EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS

SMYRNA RUGS.

We have just received a shipment of 500 Rugs purchased for spot cash from a manufacturer at a very Low Price; all new, fresh goods, handsome designs and rich colorings. We will put them on sale for this week at the following remarkably LOW PRICES:

- Size 21x45 - at \$1.21
- Size 30x60 - - at 1.21
- Size 30x42 - - at 1.19
- Size 26x54 - - at 1.69
- Size 30x60 - - at 2.38
- Size 36x72 - - at 3.40
- Superior Quality Mats - at 49c

This is decidedly the best value in Rugs ever before shown.

We also have now on sale the Largest, Handsomest and Most Complete Stock of

CARPETS,

Wall Paper and Window Shades,

In Central Illinois, and an intelligent public can see at a glance at our immense stock what a shallow mockery our would-be competitors are making of themselves by heralding forth their grand announcements.

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